

August 1, 2016

The Groton City Council met on the above date at 7pm at City Hall for their regular first monthly meeting with the following members present: Opp, Fliehs, McGannon, Peterson, Blackmun, and Glover and Mayor Hanlon presiding. Also present were: Attorney Johnson, Finance Officer Lowary, Paul Kosel, Clayton (Butch) Farmen, Stacy Mayou, and Chelsea Morrow.

The minutes were approved as read on a motion by Blackmun and seconded by Fliehs. All members present voted aye.

Butch Farmen came before the Council to discuss his plans to tear down his house at 205 N 4th St which he is currently using for storage. Moved by Glover and seconded by Peterson to give him an extension until May, 2017. All members present voted aye. Mr. Farmen leaves the meeting at this point.

Kim Yarborbough requested an extension of two weeks to get rid of her unlicensed vehicle so she could get a new title. Moved by Opp and seconded by Blackmun to allow this extension. All members present voted aye.

Officer Jerry Bjerke enters the meeting at this point. Chief Mayor and he discussed the repairs needed on the 2012 Tahoe and the need to get a more reliable vehicle. Mayou reported on the firearms training he attended. Pokemon Go has reached Groton and the curfew will be more strictly enforced. Mayou and Bjerke leave the meeting at this point.

The financial report was approved on a motion by Opp and seconded by Glover. All members present voted aye.

Dwight Zerr, Terry Herron, and Shawn Lambertz enter the meeting at this point.

The following bills were approved for payment on a motion by Opp and seconded by McGannon. All members present voted aye. Peterson and Fliehs request more detail on the bill list.

Executive Payroll	404.03	salaries
Administrative Payroll	8,318.39	salaries
Public Safety Payroll	14,590.78	salaries
Public Works Payroll	30,529.14	salaries
Cultural & Recreational Payroll	33,010.91	salaries
First State Bank	11,249.82	ss & wh
City of Groton	557.04	postage, dep ref, util, emp sav
Cons Fed Cr Union	1,125.00	emp savings
US Postal Service	202.65	postage
Ardis Kuhlman	170.16	deposit refund
Greg & Deb Jensen	270.58	deposit refund
Kris Cutler	239.95	deposit refund
Brown County Treasurer	21.20	water trk
Paul Kosel	67.01	med flex
Stacy Mayou	317.34	mileage, meals
Allied Climate Professionals	494.70	switch
Kathy Bjerke	372.60	mileage
Chase Visa	1,194.95	tourn fee, postage, supplies
Chief Supply	29.18	pouches
Clark Engineering	710.94	engineering
Dakota Pump & Control	647.96	pump repair
Darrels	92.50	tire repair
Dawn Enterprises	99.35	lid
Farmers Union	213.59	gas
Nathan Fleming	100.00	deposit refund
Geffdog Designs	447.90	hats
Groton Independent	50.21	publishing

Joel Guthmiller	80.00	umpiring
Harry Implement	32.98	filters
Heartland Waste	6,767.80	garbage hauling
Irby	37.69	testing
J Gross Equip	87.01	shock
James Valley Tele	623.09	phone, internet
Drew Johnson	2,200.00	legal services
Dave Kampa Const	25,984.00	6th St repair
Lien Transportation	628.94	hot mix
Locke Electric	434.66	repairs
Matt Locke	264.60	mileage
Lyles Signs	38.24	signs
Menards	110.45	shade, erosion guard
Matt Menzia	200.00	repairs
NW Energy	820.10	nat gas
Runnings	513.88	saw, blades
S&S Lumber	624.57	supplies
SD Dept of Health	141.00	testing
SD Retirement	10,416.84	retirement
Share Corp	140.73	deodorizers
Verizon	41.81	comm
WEB Water	16,904.79	water
Dale Wolter	312.00	HWH sales inc

Department reports were given by Terry Herron, Public Works Supt., Dwight Zerr, Wastewater Supt., and Shawn Lambertz, Electric Supt. Herron discussed 6th St street repairs, boring 2 service lines through Hwy 37 to prepare for the state's project, 4th St water main replacement in late August, and the work by Brown County on E Railroad Ave. Zerr reported the sewer pump bearing was going out and repairs could be about \$3,500, sweeper repairs, storm sewer cleaning costs, and upcoming ammonia regulations. Lambertz reported on street light change outs, transformer changes and other electric projects.

Peterson reported on cases of West Nile in Brown County again. Kosel reported on mosquito spraying each week and the routes taken.

Herron, Zerr, and Lambertz leave the meeting at this point.

Swimming pool managers presented hours of operation for the pool during the Brown County Fair and as school begins. These were reviewed and approved. Also available lifeguards were reviewed.

Council discussed what procedures and administrative rules they wish to adopt. All were tabled.

Blackmun requested names on the agenda to indicate who requests the item on the agenda.

Moved by McGannon and seconded by Glover to approve the following resolution for the Baseball Complex Playground. All members present voted aye.

Resolution No. 16-81a

WHEREAS, the United States of America and the State of South Dakota have authorized the making of grants from the Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF) to public bodies to aid in financing the acquisition or construction of specific public outdoor recreation projects;

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED:

1. That Mayor is hereby authorized to execute and file an application on behalf of the City of Groton with the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior, through the State of South Dakota, Department of Game, Fish and Parks, Division of Parks and Recreation, for an LWCF grant to aid in financing playground equipment replacement for the City of Groton South Dakota and its Environs.

2: That Scott Hanlon, Mayor, is hereby authorized and directed to furnish

such information as the above mentioned federal and state agencies may reasonably request in connection with the application which is hereby authorized to be filed.

3. That the City of Groton shall provide a minimum of 50% of the total cost of the project; and will assume all responsibility in the operation and maintenance of the project upon completion of construction, for the reasonable life expectancy of the facility.

Moved by Fliehs and seconded by McGannon to authorize Lowary to attend the SD Municipal League convention in Rapid City on October 4-7. All members present voted aye.

Moved by Opp and seconded by McGannon to approve the following resolution. All members present voted aye.

RESOLUTION NO. 16-81b

WHEREAS, the South Dakota Public Assurance Alliance has requested Anita Lowary be nominated to their Board to act as a representative on behalf of the Groton City Council;

BE IT RESOLVED that the City of Groton hereby nominates Anita Lowary to serve on the SD Public Assurance Alliance Board on behalf of the City of Groton.

Moved by Blackmun and seconded by Opp to set a special meeting for 7pm on August 22, 2016 to discuss the 2017 budget.

A request for an addition week before shut off was denied for Justin Fischbach. Shut off is set for August 2. A request from Glen Damgaard due to medical reasons for a month off from his budget payment plan was denied.

Responsibility for listing mowing needs may be moved to the police department for more prompt letters.

Moved by Opp and seconded by Fliehs to adjourn into executive session on legal matters at 8.25pm. All members present voted aye. Council reconvened into regular session at 8:45pm.

Meeting adjourned.

Scott Hanlon, Mayor

Anita Lowary, Finance Officer